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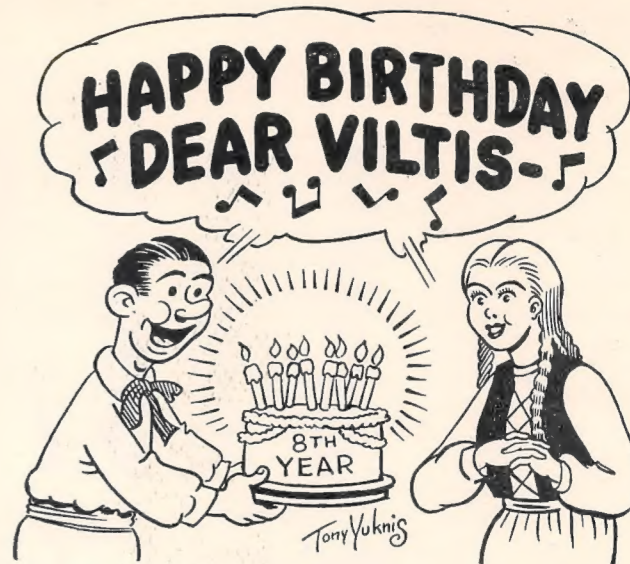
Lithuanian dolls are being admired by another
Lithuanian doll, Miss Dolores Srupsa. Miss Srupsa is a
graduate of St. Casimir's Lithuanian academy (Chicago)
and is now attending Wilson Jr. College. She belongs
to the ATEITIS folk dancers and to VYTIS choir. (Foto
— Courtesy Museum of Science and Industry).

IN THE NEXT ISSUE

A description and music of an enjoyable French
dance for two couples, from Isigny, "Sur le bord de la
riviere" (On the shore of the river).

TWO LITHS ENHANCE MET OPERA

The Metropolitan Opera Co. premiere of Moussorgs-
ky's "Khovanchina" was enhanced by the talents of two
Lithuanians: Polyna Stoška singing one of the leading
roles; M. Dobužinskis designed and painted new stage
sets for the opera.



VILTIS BIRTHDAY GIFTS

Once again, good ole Tony Yuknis, bless his heart,
presented VILTIS with a birthday cartoon. Aciū, Tonuk.
God grant we'll be around to celebrate the Silver An-
niversary if not the Golden one.

VILTIS was born in God's Country, (that's, Alabama,
mah boy) in the gawgeous town of Fairhope, between
Mobile and Pensacola — right on the Bay — and you
couldn't go any further South unless you wanted to drown
in the Mexican Gulf. Vyts himself is a "true Southerner",
Sho Nuff, having been born in Southern Lithuania, and
now that he is in Chicago, he lives South, Man! No Sun,
wouldn't live up Yankee Nawth fo' nuth'n.

Hugh E. Jones, the guy who suggested VILTIS and
often assisted financially during many periods of its in-
fancy when VILTIS was strictly a service letter, was at
that time, 1942, stationed in Brookley Field, Mobile, Ala.
He himself is of Danish-Welsh extraction, but a native
of South Chicago, even tho he now lives up N. Chicago.

Others who "done He'ped" VILTIS raise during its
first three years of infancy, while still out South, were:
Mrs. Cornelius Gaston and son Paul, Mrs. Joseph Payson
and the Fairhope Courier with its editors. To all of us
— A HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

NEW VIGNETTES

VILTIS sho done duked up fo' its birthday. Did you
notice all the new drawings heading our columns? Well,
they are the work and gifts of another of our true and
tried VILTIS buddies, Emil Carl Zunker. It's also a
"Happy Birthday Present" from Emil, his wife Adee
and son Tony. We sho do thank y'all from the bottom
of our hearts.

"THE CHAIN" FOR STALIN

On the occasion of Stalin's 70th birthday, a delega-
tion from Lithuania danced at the "Bolshoyi" (Grand)
Theatre the beautiful Lithuanian folk dance, "Lenciūgė-
lis" The Little Chain.

NIJINSKY DIES

London — (AP)— Vaslav Nijinsky, one of the grea-
test dancers of all time, died Saturday.

Nijinsky died at London clinic, where he had been
a patient for two days. He had been living in England
since the war.